



Arabic Library Content Curator

Organization: ASU SolarSPELL Initiative (Solar Powered Educational Learning Library)

Location: Tempe and/or Remote

Type: Unpaid or for credit | ~10 hours/week

Eligibility: Open to all students and universities; international students welcome. (Counts as on-campus experience for ASU students—**no OPT/CPT required.**)

Application Deadline: Applications will be open from **July 1- July 20** (please check our [student opportunities page](#) to find the application portal)

Applications will be reviewed weekly on a rolling basis until the positions are filled.

Start Date: August 20, 2026

About the Internship

The SolarSPELL Initiative at Arizona State University is seeking interns to help curate open-access, regionally relevant educational content for our Middle East library collection, currently in use in the Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria (AANES).

Language proficiency in Arabic, Kurdish, or Syriac is required for this role.

Interns will contribute to the growth and development of SolarSPELL's multilingual library—our first to include content in Arabic, Kurdish, and Syriac. The collection began as a pilot program and now includes over 1,500 resources, with ongoing expansion driven by this internship team. Interns will review and curate resources that support learners in low-resource environments, ensuring that content is:

- Culturally appropriate, engaging, and aligned with local educational needs
- Accessible offline and suitable for areas without electricity or internet

This internship offers a unique opportunity to support education in conflict-affected regions. Your contributions will be directly deployed in schools in Arabic-speaking regions, including North and East Syria. Learn more: [Rebuilding Education During Conflict \(AANES Partnership\)](#)

About SolarSPELL

SolarSPELL (Solar Powered Educational Learning Library) is a global educational initiative based at ASU. We create offline, solar-powered digital libraries designed for areas with little to no access to electricity or internet. Our libraries provide a WiFi hotspot that enables free access to curated educational resources via any smartphone, tablet, or laptop. Learn more: <http://solarspell.org>

Responsibilities:

- Attend a new student orientation and participate in an end-of-semester presentation
- Complete content curation and metadata tagging trainings at the beginning of the semester
- Conduct in-depth research on the cultural, linguistic, and educational contexts of the ANES region
- Curate locally-relevant resources including STEM materials, science books, philosophy books, interactive modules, and other topics
- Assist with metadata tagging and content organization
- Work closely with the SolarSPELL team to prioritize content needs and feedback
- Consistently communicate with your team members and SolarSPELL staff about your updates and progress throughout the semester

Ideal Candidate

- Strong written and verbal communication skills in Arabic, Kurdish, or Syriac and English
- Team player who works well collaboratively
- Detail-oriented, dependable, and driven by a strong work ethic
- Experienced in online research, content curation, or working with open-access resources
- Globally minded and eager to support communities around the world

How to Apply

- When applications open, you will be asked to submit a **resume and cover letter in PDF format** using the following naming convention:
[LastName_FirstName_DesiredPosition]
- Please check out our [student opportunities page](#) on July 1 to submit your application

Internship positions are limited each semester. Availability may vary depending on the number of returning interns, and this role may not be open during your preferred term. For questions, contact SolarSPELL's Student Engagement Coordinator, Cassie Barrett, at cbarre38@asu.edu